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Subject: End of Day -- February 7, 2018

PRESS

KUZZ News (Kelli Pierce) [received 2/2] – CLOSED – Reporter did phone interview with Ben Machol regarding DERA grants awarded to San Joaquin Valley Air Pollution Control District. Piece expected to run during this afternoon's newscast. AIR, Michele Huitric

Lake County News (Elizabeth Larson) [received 1/17] – CLOSED – Editor is checking in on status of Sulphur Bank Mercury Mine Superfund site. Sent reporter HQ-approved response. SFD, Michele Huitric

Daily Journal (Winston Cho) [received 2/6] – OPEN – Reporter has questions about TetraTech and their work on Hunters Point Naval Shipyard, Treasure Island, and Navajo uranium mine. Will work with programs on responses. Michele Huitric

Freelance writer (Alexis Madrigal) [received 2/2] – OPEN – Writer is working on a book about the Prescott neighborhood in Oakland. He would like to tour and learn more about the AMCO Superfund site cleanup. Proposing to provide writer with phone interview on background, in advance of possible site visit; HQ approved plan. Will work with program and reporter to schedule call. SFD, Michele Huitric

San Francisco Chronicle (Dominic Fracassa) [received 2/7] – OPEN – Reporter is working on a story regarding EPA's 2016 examination of the San Francisco Public Utilities Commission's reporting/recording of sewer excursion incidents. Reporter would like to speak with EPA about the issue. Contacted reporter to ask for more details, waiting to hear back. ENF, ORC, Michele Huitric

Cronkite News (Gabriel Sandler) [Received 2/6] – CLOSED - ASU student reporter wants to get detailed information on all EPA grants awarded to AZ between 2014 and 2017. He is trying to verify Sen. Carper's claim that EPA is decreasing its grant awards. HQ will handle request. Soledad Calvino.

Cronkite News (Gabriel Sandler) [Received 2/6] – OPEN – Reporter had questions on Cameron mine progress; sent reporter link to web. Waiting on program draft response and additional questions reporter may have. SFD, Margot Perez-Sullivan

Associated Press (Felicia Fonseca) [Received 1/31]—OPEN—Reporter is looking for information regarding flood plains on tribal lands. Would like to know if EPA has maps for all reservations or how it determines who would be at risk if a Superfund site was flooded. Program is looking into it. SFD, Margot Perez-Sullivan

ABC News San Diego (Jennifer Kastner) [Received 2/5]—OPEN—Reporter followed up on yesterday's inquiry asking if EPA had information on acceptable indoor TCE levels. Waiting to hear back from program. SFD, Nahal Mogharabi.

OZY.com (Renee Morad) [Received 2/5]—CLOSED—Reporter is looking for information on Lake Powell following a story in <u>High Country News</u> that claims that there are 26,000 tons of radioactive waste at the bottom of Lake Powell. Sent reporter statement. WTR, Nahal Mogharabi.

Honolulu Civil Beat (Alan McNaire) – [Received 2/5] – CLOSED – Reporter wanted to know about EPA actions on Aloha Petroleum's tank farm and Hawaii Electric Light Company's power generation facility. ENF Div provided information on the Aloha Petroleum case, Hilo WWTP Order and indicated best contact for more info on the power plant would be Hawaii Dept. of Health, Clean Air Branch. Provided the information to the reporter. ENF, Dean Higuchi

WEB & SOCIAL MEDIA

Social Media:

Electronics Recycling – Posted to our <u>Twitter</u> page about recycling electronics and linked to our <u>Electronics Donation and Recycling</u> page.

Web Updates:

Anaconda Copper Mine Deferral Agreement – Published updates to our <u>Anaconda Copper Mine</u> Superfund site profile page along with the related <u>Anaconda Copper Mine</u>, <u>National Priorities List Deferral Agreement</u> documents, and updated our EPA in Nevada page to highlight the deferral agreement.

NPDES Permits – Completed routine updates to our NPDES Permits in California web content.

EPA in the Pacific Southwest - Completed routine updates to our Contact EPA Pacific Southwest page.

Clean Air Act Permitting – Completed routine updates to our CAA Permitting in EPA's Pacific Southwest page.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto (D-NV): Brent Maier coordinated and participated in a call with staff in the Senator's DC and State offices to discuss with their office the current status of a FY2010 Special Appropriation Act Project (SAAP) "earmark" grant for the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe sponsored by former Senator Harry Reid. The original allocation for the SAAP was \$550,000 which was reduced through a set-aside by 3% to \$533,000. As of this date, the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe has spent \$388,111 on two projects in the Colony for water infrastructure improvements which include sewer and water projects, and the remaining balance of \$144,889 are for one of the Snow Mountain projects. Our office is preparing to send a letter to Ms. Margaret Denzler, Accounting Supervisor, Las Vegas Paiute Tribe. However, before we send our letter, we wanted to update their office on issues related to this earmark grant. EPA participants for this call included Water Division's Stephanie Wilson, Jamelya Curtis, and Jason Brush. Brent will share a copy of the outgoing letter to the Las Vegas Paiute Tribe with the Congressional staff who participated in today's call.

Tomorrow - Thursday, February 8, 2018 - AZ State Senator Gail Griffin (District 14): Brent Maier has confirmed a call for Thursday, February 8, 2018 at 3:00pm with Arizona State Senator Gail Griffin, Majority Whip, who sent a message and letter to Acting Regional Administrator Alexis Strauss expressing concern with transboundary untreated sewage flows from Naco, Sonora in Naco, Arizona. The IBWC and the NADB were also addresses on the letter. Expected U.S. EPA participants: Alexis Strauss, Acting Regional Administrator; Tomas Torres, Director, Water Division; Corine Li, Acting Assistant Director, Water Division; Doug Eberhardt, Manager, Infrastructure Section, Water Division; and Brent Maier, Congressional and Intergovernmental Liaison.

Upcoming Congressional Meetings, Hearings, Intergovernmental Meetings and Events:

Friday, February 9, 2018 - Rep. Tony Cardenas (D-CA-29): Brent Maier has confirmed a call with Tejasi Thatte, Legislative Counsel, in the DC Office of Congressman Tony Cárdenas who is interested in an update on EPA's work at the San Fernando Valley Area 1 Superfund Site which is within Congressman Cardenas' District. In advance of the call, Brent

will be sharing with Tejasi a PowerPoint presentation to highlight the ongoing work and recent updates in San Fernando Valley Superfund Site Area 1 and we will also be touching on some of EPA's work in the other San Fernando Valley Superfund Site Areas in our discussion. The conference call is confirmed for Friday, February 9, at 10:00am PT. Participants for the call will include Superfund Division's Caleb Shaffer, Kelly Manheimer, Rusty Harris-Bishop and Office of Regional Counsel's Michael Massey and Steven Leonido-John if he is available.

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 - House Energy and Commerce Committee: On February 14, the House Committee on Energy and Commerce's Subcommittee on Environment will hold a hearing entitled, "New Source Review Permitting Challenges for Manufacturing and Infrastructure." <u>More Information</u>.

Wednesday, February 14, 2018 - House Natural Resources Committee: On February 14, the House Committee on Natural Resources will hold an oversight hearing entitled, "The State of the Nation's Water and Power Infrastructure." More Information.

Tuesday, February 27, 2018 - Arizona 8th District Special Primary: Will be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018, to fill seat formerly held by Rep. Trent Franks who resigned the seat on December 8, 2017.

Friday, March 2, 2018 - EPA HQ to Meet with Arizona Local Officials: On Friday, March 2, a delegation of local officials, including Mayor Evans, Councilmembers, Coconino County Supervisors, and possibly leaders from the Navajo and Havasupai Nations will meet with EPA to discuss uranium mining issues and Navajo Generating Station. HQ Office of Intergovernmental Relations (OIR) is working with appropriate Program Offices and Regional staff on the meeting request. Local Government Attendees: City of Flagstaff - Mayor Coral Evans; Councilmembers Odegaard and Putzova; Assistant City Manager Shane Dille; IGA Director Caleb Blaschke; Coconino County - Supervisor Jim Parks; Supervisor Lena Fowler (not confirmed); Allie Stender, Coconino County Public Works; and leadership from the Havasupai and Navajo Nations (to be determined). OCIR Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon

Wednesday, March 14, 2018 – EPA HQ with Mayor Pro Tem Carmen Ramirez (Oxnard, CA): The meeting will focus on the Halaco Superfund Site and restoring Ormon Beach wetlands. Mayor Pro Tem Ramirez and Oxnard local officials continue to applied what they label as an outstanding partnership with Region IX on complete remediation of the Halaco Site as work continues to move toward that goal. Mayor Pro Tem Carmen Ramirez always appreciates the opportunity to stop in when she is in DC so that she can express her appreciations. The City's vision for reuse of the site includes a broad array of proposed projects. On this visit, Mayor Pro Tem Carmen Ramirez will also brief EPA on the city's interest in restoring the Ormon Beach wetlands. Region 9's Wayne Praskins and Brent Maier will participate.

Friday, March 30, 2018 - Sen. John McCain (R-AZ): Sen. John McCain is planning a "kick-off" event for his Rio Salado Initiative on Friday, March 30, 2018, in Tempe, which will include federal, state and local officials and tribal and community leaders. Acting RA Alexis Strauss has expressed interest in attending and representing Region 9 at this kick-off event. Brent will keep the Front Office aware of the final logistics for this event. A pre-brief for Alexis will be scheduled during the early part of the week of March 24.